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MEMORANDUM FOR CHAIRMAN, GUIDED MISSILE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE (GMIC)  
ATTENTION: COLONEL EARL MCFARLAND, JR., USAF

SUBJECT: Proposed Designation System of Soviet Surface-to-Air Missile  
(SAM) Sites.

1. Under provisions of unnumbered memorandum, Guided Missile Intelligence Committee, dated 3 December 1957, a meeting of the ad hoc Subcommittee for Designation System of Soviet SAM Sites was held 9 December 1957. Those attending were:

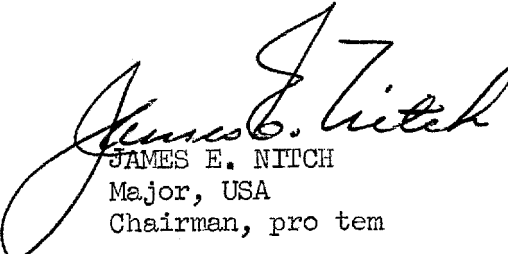
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            Army:        Major Thomas Gleeson, OACSI  
            CIA:        [REDACTED] ORR

2. During the discussion it was agreed that the multiplicity of existing SAM numbering systems leads to confusion in properly identifying the SAM sites. Several proposed numbering systems were considered, but found not flexible enough to satisfactorily designate the Moscow SAM sites or to satisfy future needs either for other systems or more extensive geographical employment.

3. A proposed system for designating Soviet SAM sites, which is believed flexible enough to satisfy the requirements of the subcommittees, was agreed upon (see Tab 1).

4. The meeting was adjourned by common consent.

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Tab 1

  
JAMES E. NITCH  
Major, USA  
Chairman, pro tem

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